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SUBJECT: NANKING MR COMMANDER TING SHENG: BECOMING AN UNPERSON

- 1. DESPITE THE MANY PERMUTATIONS OF HSU SHIH-YU/TING SHENG RUMORS MAKING THE ROUNDS IN PEKING IN RECENT WEEKS, CHINESE OFFICIALS EVIDENTLY HAVE NOT YET RECEIVED GUIDANCE ON HANDLING INQUIRIES BY FOREIGNERS. TWO WEEKS GO ONE FOREIGN JOURNALIST BLANDLY ASKED HIS INFORMATION DEPARTMENT CONTACT THE IDENTITY OF THE NANKING MR COMMANDER. THE SNAP RESPONSE: "TING SHENG, OF COURSE." ADVISED THAT FOREIGNERS HAD HEARD MANSRUMORS TO THE CONTRARY, THE SPOKESMAN WITHDREW HIS ANSWER AND SAID HE WOULD CHECK. NO REPLY HAS BEEN GIVEN TO DATE, AND FOLLOW-UP INQUIRIES HAVE ELICITED ONLY "WE ARE CHECKING."
- 2. DURING FEBRUARY 27-28 VISIT TO NANKING, USLO OFFICER ASKED CHINA TRAVEL SERVICE GUIDE TO NAME THE LOCAL HIERARCHY. HE REPLIED THAT CHU CHIANG IXSFIRST SECRETARY OF THE NANKING MUNICIPAL PARTY COITTEE AND HSU CHIA-T'UN "IS IN CHARGE OF THE PROVINCE ALTHOUGH HE HAS NOT BEEN APPOINTED FIRST SECRETARY YET" (HSU WAS IDENTIFIED IN THE POST ON MARCH 3). CONFIDENTIAL

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ASKED TO NAME THE NANKING MILITARY REGION COMMANDER, THE GUIDE PAUSED, THEN OFFERED "TING SHENG...MAYBE." GATES

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